Town of Felton Town Council Meeting December 13, 2021 6:30 pm

Mayor Clendaniel called the Town Council Meeting of Felton to order at 6:30 pm on Monday, December 13, 2021. Present at the meeting were:

<u>Council Members</u>: Mayor Joanne Clendaniel, Vice-Mayor Joe Yapsuga (via telephone), Anthony Carroll, and Diana Dolan-Beulah.

<u>Staff</u>: Lieutenant Guild, Town Manager, Amy Thomas and Town Clerk, Tracey Thompson.

<u>Public</u>: Jon Lynn, Vikki and Reginald Brown, Chris Lynn, Robert and Marie Bowden, out of town residents on Midstate Rd, Rick Jones and Sandy Jones Resident's and Fred Wittig representative from DSU Commercial.

Annexation Request - Wawa:

Fred Wittig presented property Map ID # 8-00-139.05-01-35.00-00001- 1.624 acres and 8-00-139.00-01-42.00-00001 – 8.496 acres on South Dupont Hwy wants to annex into Town of Felton. The objective after annexation is to build a Wawa gas station with tesla charging stations. Residents of Midstate Rd expressed their objection to the annexation of this property. See attached letter. Amy let the residents know that this was just for the property being annexed into Town that there will be more meetings in the future to discuss what they want to build on the property.

Motion: Vice-Mayor Joe Yapsuga made a motion to move forward in the annexation of property Map ID #8-00-139.05-01-35.00-00001- 1.624 acres and 8-00-139.00-01-42.00-00001 – 8.496 acres. Councilmember Dolan-Beulah seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Citizens Concerns:

Ms. Jones wanted to notify Council about the excessive 4 wheeling going on behind her house. She said the noise of the 4 wheeling is driving her crazy and she is not sure if there is anything that could be done. The kids drive around a track in their backyard excessively. Lieutenant Guild asked at what time of day are they driving the 4 wheelers which Ms. Jones replied they were just driving them about an hour ago.

Police Report:

Lieutenant Guild presented the November 2021 police report. He included that the new police vehicle is ready for pick up and he attended the recent SLEAF meeting which he was approved for grant funding to be used for the new vehicle to be outfitted with their police lights. With some of the funding that was given by Representative Lawson we were able to get our Police Department emblem put up in the Police Department. Discussion on the job posting that is ready to go up. There were no questions or concerns.

Motion: Vice-Mayor Joe Yapsuga made a motion to accept the November 2021 Police Report. Councilmember Carroll seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Felton Fire Company Report:

Amy presented the Felton Fire Company Report. There were no questions or concerns.

Budget Report:

Amy presented the November 2021 budget report. There were no questions or concerns.

Motion: Councilmember Carroll made a motion to accept the November 2021 Budget Report. Councilmember Dolan-Beulah seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Public Works Report:

Amy presented the November 2021 Public Works Report. Along with their daily operations they prepared Gobble Wobble Route, cut back rear pond in Hidden Pond Development, painted curbs and speed bumps, repaired leaf box and changed out Hometown Hero Banners. There were no questions or concerns.

Minutes:

Mayor Clendaniel presented the November 9, 2021 Council Meeting Minutes and December 8, 2021 Planning and Zoning Minutes. There were no questions or concerns.

Motion: Councilmember Dolan-Beulah made a motion to accept the December 8, 2021 Planning and Zoning Meeting Minutes and the November 9, 2021, Council Meeting Minutes. Vice Mayor Yapasuga seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Purchase of Police Vehicle - 2021 Dodge Durango:

Amy presented 2021 Dodge Durango is ready for pick up. With the money Kent County Levy Court gave the Police Department we were able to pay off the Tahoe and now we are ready for a new vehicle purchase that is budgeted for \$10,000 a year for the next four years.

Motion: Councilmember Dolan-Beulah made a motion to accept the purchase of 2021 Dodge Durango. Councilmember Carroll seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mayor Clendaniel-yes, Councilmember Brittingham- yes, Councilmember Dolan-Beulah- yes, Councilmember Carroll- yes, Vice Mayor Yapsuga- yes.

Town Hall Renovations:

Amy explained with the money Senator Lawson gave to the Felton Police Department we will be getting some work done on the Police Station/ Town Hall. A few projects coming up will be a new roof installed and new flooring throughout the whole building. While construction is going on Town Hall might need to be closed briefly.

Motion: Councilmember Carroll made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Dolan-Beulah seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. These minutes were prepared by Tracey Thompson, Town Clerk.	
Tracey Thompson, Town Clerk	Date

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm.